

Abstract

When update data stored in portable storage media are distributed to update data, the data updatable frequency can be freely restricted at the distribution source of the update data. A data updatable upper limit frequency and an update frequency at which data update is carried out are stored in an
5 update-frequency data storing portion 112 of an external storage medium 103. On the basis of these update-frequency data, it is judged by an update permission judging portion 110 whether there is data update permission in a terminal 102. If there is update permission, the update data is delivered to an
10 update data reading portion 109 in the terminal 102, and the data update is carried out on the basis of the update data by a post-update data restoring portion 107 of the terminal 102, and the post-update data is stored in an in-terminal data storing portion 104. When the data update is carried out, update-frequency data is updated by an update frequency updating portion 111.